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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS IMMEDIATE
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SUBJECT: LAGOS VISIT: FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY
JIDDA FOR MOOSE

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1. FOR LAGOS: WE BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT TO MAKE CLEAR TO
GARBA AS GENTLY BUT EXPLICITLY AS POSSIBLE THAT WHILE
SECRETARY VANCE WOULD BE HAPPY TO MEET WITH OTHER FOREIGN
MINISTERS AND HEAR THEIR VIEWPOINTS DURING LAGOS VISIT, IT
WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE DETAILED MULTILATERAL DIS-
CUSSIONS OF RHODESIAN PROBLEM UNLESS BRITISH WERE ALSO

TAKING PART SINCE RHODESIA REMAINS A BRITISH PROBLEM AND
THEY HAVE CRUCIAL ROLE TO PLAY IN ANY EFFORT TOWARD SOLUTION.

2. FOR LONDON: BRITISH EMBASSY HERE KNOWS OF NO APPROACH
NIGERIANS HAVE MADE CONCERNING POSSIBLE BRITISH PARTICIPA-
TION IN A LAGOS MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS. SUGGEST YOU
VERIFY THIS WITH FCO AND SEEK THEIR PROBABLE ATTITUDE
TOWARD SUCH INVITATION SHOULD ONE BE EXTENDED. VANCE

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